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CLAIREMONT CELEBRATES GRAND RE-OPENING OF NEIGHBORHOOD'S ONLY SENIOR CENTERCouncilmember Chris Cate to Cut Ribbon at Facility and Welcome New Service Provider

San Diego, CA: On Friday, February 23rd at 10:45 a.m., Councilmember Chris Cate will join several senior citizens to cut the ribbon at the Cathy Hopper Clairemont Friendship Center. Located in the heart of Clairemont, the Cathy Hopper Clairemont Friendship Center provides activities and services to individuals over the age of 60.

Funding for the Cathy Hopper Clairemont Friendship Center was originally excluded from last year's budget, however, due in large part to Councilmember Cate's advocacy and efforts, funding was secured and the Cathy Hopper Clairemont Friendship Center was saved. Since securing the funding, Lutheran Social Services of Southern California has agreed to serve as the long-term provider for the Cathy Hopper Clairemont Friendship Center, ensuring that the most vulnerable members of District 6, senior citizens, will have access to daily programs and support.

Founded in 1944, Lutheran Social Services of Southern California (LSS-SC) serves hundreds of thousands of individuals and families throughout Southern California with over 50 different programs/services at over 20 different locations. LSS-SC embraces those in crisis, with short-term, emergency services; equips individuals and families, with program resources to help them on their journey; and empowers people to break the cycle of poverty, live with dignity, and become self-sufficient.

By 2030, adults ages 65 and above will double and outnumber youth, making the aging population the fastest growing population in the nation. There are currently 40 million Americans over the age of 65.

"The Cathy Hopper Clairemont Friendship Center is a cornerstone in Clairemont for our seniors. Reopening the center with Lutheran Social Services of Southern California shows that we, as a city, prioritize our senior citizens and their needs," stated Councilmember Chris Cate.

WHAT: Cathy Hopper Clairemont Friendship Center Grand Re-Opening (Ribbon Cutting)

WHERE: 4425 Bannock Avenue, San Diego, CA 92117

WHEN: Friday, February 23, 2018 at 10:45 a.m.

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